WHEREAS, The history of America is in large measure the history of independent enterprise; and,

WHEREAS, It is upon the foundation established by those small independent undertakings that the most dynamic society known to man has been built, and today America's small businesses continue to thrive; and,

WHEREAS, Our nation's small businesses employ one hundred million Americans and produce nearly half of our gross business product. Small businesses remain healthy in an economic environment that equates size with success because they take an active interest in the customers and communities they serve; and,

WHEREAS, The pioneering spirit that underlies our success as a nation will continue to flourish for as long as the small businessman remains the mainstay of our economy and our society:

NOW, THEREFORE, I, RICHARD F. KNEIP, Governor of the State of South Dakota, do hereby proclaim the week of May 22, 1977, as

SMALL BUSINESS WEEK

in South Dakota, and I ask all South Dakotans to share with me during this week a deep pride in the many accomplishments of our small businessmen and women, and in the invaluable contributions they have made to our free way of life.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and affixed the Great Seal of the State of South Dakota, in Pierre, the Capital City, this 20th day of May, in the Year of Our Lord, Nineteen Hundred and Seventy-Seven

R. F. Kneip
RICHARD F. KNEIP, GOVERNOR

ATTEST:

Lorna B. Herseth
LORNA B. HERSETH, SECRETARY OF STATE

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